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TO DIRECTOR, FBI ROUTINE

ATTN: PERSONAL CRIMES UNIT, CID

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[REDACTED] SENATOR ALFONSE DAMATO-VICTIM; EXTORTION;

OO:BUFFALO

ON 2/28/85, DETECTIVE [REDACTED] U.S. CAPITOL POLICE
(USCP), WDC, ADVISED HE HAD PICKED UP A THREATENING LETTER
FROM [REDACTED] SENATOR DAMATOS STAFF. THE LETTER
READ AS FOLLOWS: "I DO NOT LIKE THE WAY YOU ARE DOING YOUR
JOB. ONE DAY I AM GOING TO SEE YOU AND SHOOT YOUR BRAINS
OUT. I AM GOING TO SHOOT YOU DEAD AND I AM GOING TO BE
COMING TO YOUR FUNERAL." THE LETTER WAS TYPEWRITTEN WITH A
RETURN ADDRESS OF [REDACTED]

DUE TO NATURE OF THREAT, CONSIDER SUBJECT ARMED AND
DANGEROUS.

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HAS BEEN NOTIFIED BY VICTIMS OFFICE AND HAD IN TURN
NOTIFIED USCP. WFO INDICES CONTAIN NO REFERENCES IDENTIFIABLE
WITH SUBJECT.

LEADS.

BUFFALO DIVISION AT BUFFALO, NEW YORK: LOCATE AND
INTERVIEW [REDACTED] AND PRESENT FACTS OF THIS CASE TO THE
U.S. ATTORNEY FOR PROSECUTIVE OPINION.

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WFO DIVISION AT WDC: WILL PICK UP LETTER FROM USCP AND
FORWARD TO FBI LAB FOR APPROPRIATE ANALYSIS.

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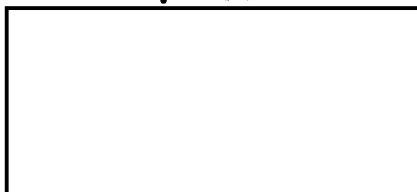
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3/12/85

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
(ATTN: FBI Laboratory and Identification
Division, Latent Fingerprint Section)

FROM : SAC, ALBANY (9A-1330) (RVC)

SUBJECT: "CHANGED"
UNSUBS; aka



Edward Jordan, Sr.,

Wilber B. Trammel;
HARRY A. BLACKMUN, U.S. SUPREME
COURT JUSTICE-VICTIM;
LEWIS F. POWELL, U.S. SUPREME
COURT JUSTICE-VICTIM;
ALFONSE D'AMATO, U.S. SENATOR,
NEW YORK STATE-VICTIM;
JAMES GRIFFIN, MAYOR,
BUFFALO, NEW YORK-VICTIM;
MARIO CUOMO, GOVERNOR,
NEW YORK STATE-VICTIM;
EDWARD "NED" REGAN, COMPTROLLER,
NEW YORK STATE-VICTIM;
DENNIS GORSKI, ASSEMBLYMAN,
CHEEKTOWAGA, NEW YORK-VICTIM;
ROBERT ABRAMS, ATTORNEY GENERAL,
NEW YORK STATE-VICTIM;
RICHARD C. WESLEY, ASSEMBLYMAN,
LIVINGSTON COUNTY, NEW YORK-VICTIM;
[REDACTED] CHEEKTOWAGA,

NEW YORK-VICTIM;
EXTORTION;
(OO: Buffalo)

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Title is marked "CHANGED" to reflect the addition of the alias WILBUR B. TRAMMEL, whose name appears on the envelope of the threatening letter sent to New York State Governor MARIO CUOMO.

Re Buffalo teletype to the Bureau dated 3/6/85.

Enclosed for the FBI Laboratory, Identification Division, Latent Fingerprint Section, is the original letter and envelope sent to New York State Governor MARIO CUOMO, threatening his life. One copy of each of the above is enclosed for Buffalo.

On 3/7/85, Senior Investigator [redacted] New York State Police (NYSP), Protective Services, detail, Governor's Mansion, Albany, New York, made available an original of a letter and envelope mailed from Buffalo, New York, on 2/26/85, threatening the life of New York State Governor MARIO CUOMO. Senior Investigator [redacted] advised that this letter was addressed to "MARIO M. CUOMO, State Capital, Albany, New York, 12224," with a return address of "WILBUR B. TRAMMEL, City Court, Buffalo, New York". [redacted] further stated that this letter was originally received by the Correspondence Unit at the State Capital and turned over to him on 3/4/85. Investigator [redacted] allowed that both the letter and the envelope would have been routinely handled by several persons before it came into his possession.

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Investigator [redacted] further advised that several other threatening letters containing the exact text of the one enclosed had been received previously by the Correspondence Unit at the State Capital and have since been forwarded to the Buffalo Office of the FBI. These included letters to New York State Assemblyman DENNIS GORSKI; New York State Comptroller, EDWARD NED REGAN, and New York State Attorney General ROBERT ABRAMS. The enclosed original extortion letter should be forwarded to Buffalo Division as office of origin in this matter upon completion of FBI Laboratory examinations.

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Since no further active investigation remains at Albany, this matter is referred upon completion to Buffalo.

AL 9A-1330

Request of the Bureau:

FBI Laboratory Division:

Laboratory please note that the evidence submitted herein should be handled in such a manner as to preserve any Latent Fingerprints for subsequent examination by the Identification Division, Latent Fingerprint Section.

Document Section:

Is requested to compare the text and type of the enclosed letter to that of those submitted by Buffalo Division in this case. Document Section is also requested to conduct whatever other examinations it deems appropriate.

FBI IDENTIFICATION DIVISION-LATENT FINGERPRINT

SECTION:

The Latent Fingerprint Section is requested to process the enclosed letter for Latent Fingerprints. Any Latent Fingerprints developed should be compared with any fingerprints which might be developed on similar letters in this case submitted by the Buffalo Division.

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Memorandum



To : SAC (9A-1685) (P)

Date 3/14/85

From : ASAC [redacted]

Subject : HINSIRS - aka:
[redacted] Etc.,
Supreme Court Justices;
HARRY A. BLACKMAN;
LEWIS F. POWELL;
ET AL - VICTIMS
EXTORTION
(OO: BUFFALO)

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On 3/14/85, SSA [redacted] Personal Crimes Section, Criminal Investigative Division, FBIHQ, advised that the document examination regarding above was being handled by SA [redacted] Ext. 4450 under Laboratory Document #50308007DQS. [redacted] informed [redacted] that the typewriter in question is an IBM electric, no model or other specifics determined at this time.

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In addition, [redacted] advised that the latent examination in this matter would be handled by [redacted] Ext. 5128, FBI Identification Division, Latent Fingerprint Section.

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ASAC [REDACTED]

INSUBS aka:

[REDACTED] Etc.,
Supreme Court Justices;
HARRY A. BLACKMAN;
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TO DIRECTOR PRIORITY

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[REDACTED] MILBUR TRAMMELL; [REDACTED]

EDWARD JORDAN,

SR. [REDACTED]

HARRY A. BLACKMUN, U.S. SUPREME

COURT JUSTICE - VICTIM; LEWIS F. POWELL, U.S. SUPREME COURT JUSTICE -

VICTIM; ALFONSE D-AMATO, U.S. SENATOR, NEW YORK STATE - VICTIM;

JAMES GRIFFIN, MAYOR, BUFFALO, NEW YORK - VICTIM; MARIO CUOMO,

GOVERNOR, NEW YORK STATE - VICTIM; EDWARD "NED" REGAN, COMPTROLLER,

NEW YORK STATE - VICTIM; DENNIS GORSKI, ASSEMBLYMAN : 33(592-&-,

NEW YORK - VICTIM; ROBERT ABRAMS, ATTORNEY GENERAL, NEW YORK STATE -

VICTIM; [REDACTED] CHEEK TOWAGA, NEW YORK - VICTIM; JESSIE

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J. PRESENT, NEW YORK STATE SENATOR, JAMESTOWN, NEW YORK - VICTIM,

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RE BUFALLO TELETYPE, MARCH 14, 1985.

ON MARCH 19, 1985, [REDACTED] WERE CONTACTED
AT THEIR RESIDENCE [REDACTED] AND BOTH STATED THEY DO NOT KNOW
OR HAVE HEARD OF [REDACTED] OR
A BLACK POLITICAL ACTIVIST NAMED [REDACTED] (PHONETIC).

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CLEVELAND INDICES NEGATIVE ON ALL THREE SUSPECT NAMES AND
CLEVELAND AT TOLEDO, OHIO IS CONSIDERING THIS MATTER RUC'D.

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DEMOCRAT AND CHRONICLE
ROCHESTER, NEW YORKDate: MARCH 5, 1985
Edition: METRO

Title: PUBLIC AFFAIRS MATTERS

Character:
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Classification: 80-2206

Submitting Office: BUFFALO

Indexing:

Shot hits justice's window

No injuries, but wife showered by glass

United Press International and Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — Justice Harry A. Blackmun, who has received numerous death threats for writing the Supreme Court's decision legalizing abortion, disclosed yesterday that someone fired a bullet through the window of his apartment Thursday night, showering his wife with glass.

Neither Blackmun, 76, nor his wife, Dorothy, were injured.

In a statement released by his office, Blackmun confirmed that a single shot was fired through a window in his home on the third floor of a 12-story apartment building in Arlington, Va., across the Potomac River from Washington.

A source said Blackmun walked out of the room just before one shot was fired, showering Mrs. Blackmun with glass.



Blackmun

"I put a hole in the window about the size of an apple or orange," a source said.

The bullet, a 9 mm cartridge that could have been fired by a pistol or rifle was embedded in a chair.

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Another local law enforcement official said: "It doesn't make sense to use a handgun if you're really trying to hit someone. Odds are you'd use a rifle because of the distance and its greater accuracy."

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Rutkowski, Griffin Also Got Threats

Mayor Griffin and County Executive Rutkowski have received exact copies of a death-threat letter that has also been sent to Sen. Alfonse M. D'Amato, R-N.Y., and two U.S. Supreme Court justices, local police sources confirmed today.

The letters, postmarked in Buffalo, refer to the writer's unhappiness with how the official is doing his job, makes reference to a possible gunshot assassination and suggest that the writer will attend the official's funeral, lawmen said.

They said the letters were "identical" to those sent to Sen. D'Amato and Supreme Court Justices Harry Blackmun and Lewis Powell. All the letters had Buffalo postmarks but various return addresses.

FBI spokesman Bill Baker said agents interviewed people at the return addresses found on the letters and that the FBI is "pretty well assured" they had not mailed the letters.

Mr. Baker also said the FBI has "not found any link" between the letters and a shooting incident at Justice Blackmun's apartment in Virginia.

U.S. Attorney Salvatore R. Martoche said today that the Department of Justice gives high priority to arresting and prosecuting persons who are involved in threatening officials.

A suspect accused of threatening a federal judge and other officials in Rochester was named in a sealed indictment Tuesday by a federal grand jury in Buffalo, he pointed out.

The case, not linked to the threats against the mayor, county executive, senator and judges, involves letters mailed to U.S. District Judge Michael A. Telesca and to a banker.

The indictment was made public today when George F. Stroubridge, 57, of Rochester was brought here for arraignment before U.S. Magistrate Edmund F. Maxwell.

Meanwhile, a spokesman for Sen. D'Amato Tuesday said the senator is angry at the FBI for disclosing that he had received the letter.

The senator and his staff have taken "precautions" as a result of receiving the letter, the spokesman said, but declined to elaborate.

"We are a little concerned," the spokesman said, "that we learned that the FBI is putting the highest priority on this matter from an article in The Buffalo News."

The spokesman said the senator would have liked to have the courtesy of hearing directly from the FBI that it was disclosing the threat.

Michael Kogut, spokesman for the bureau office in Buffalo, said his office had been called Monday night by a reporter.

Mr. Kogut later referred all inquiries about the letter to the Washington FBI office.

Supreme Court Justices Blackmun and Powell also received threatening letters in envelopes bearing Buffalo postmarks.

Justice Blackmun, the target of death threats since he wrote the 1973 decision legalizing abortion, said Monday a bullet had been fired through his apartment window on Thursday. He lives with his wife in suburban Arlington, Va.

The typewritten letter to Sen. D'Amato said, "I do not like the way you are doing your job. I am coming to see you some day and shoot your brains out. I am going to shoot you dead and I will be coming to your funeral."

The spokesman said the letter, received in Washington Feb. 28, immediately was referred to the U.S. Secret Service, which acts as a clearinghouse for such investigations. The Secret Service referred the letter to the FBI and to the Capitol police, which has the primary responsibility for protecting members of Congress.

"We do get these letters from time to time," said Sen. D'Amato's aide. "But we don't care to comment on them. We don't like to exacerbate these situations."

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THE BUFFALO NEWS
BUFFALO, NEW YORK

Date: MARCH 6, 1985
Edition: CITY

Title: PUBLIC AFFAIRS MATTERS

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Classification:

Submitting Office:

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Rutkowski Denies Receiving Death-Threat Letter

A spokesman for Erie County Executive Rutkowski Wednesday said Mr. Rutkowski had not received a death-threat letter similar to those mailed to Sen. Alfonse M. D'Amato, R-N.Y., and two U.S. Supreme Court justices.

Local police sources Wednesday told The Buffalo News that Mr. Rutkowski had received an exact copy of the death-threat letter the other officials received.

But Harry Spector, a Rutkowski aide, said the county executive "never received any such letter." He said Mr. Rutkowski's office checked with the FBI and that the bureau also had no information about a threat against Mr. Rutkowski.

FBI officials have confirmed that Sen. D'Amato and Supreme Court Justices Harry Blackmun and Lewis Powell received death threats postmarked in Buffalo.

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THE BUFFALO NEWS
BUFFALO, NEW YORKte: MARCH 7, 1985
tion: SUNRISE

Title: PUBLIC AFFAIRS MATTERS

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Classification: 80-2206
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3/19/85

AIRTEL

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
(Attn: FBI Laboratory and Identification
Division, Latent Fingerprint Section)

FROM : SAC, ALBANY (89A-167) (RUC)

SUBJECT: "CHANGED"
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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Milbur Trammell,
[REDACTED] Edward Jordan, Sr.,
[REDACTED]

HARRY A. BLACKMUN, U.S. Supreme
Court Justice-Victim;
LEWIS F. POWELL, U.S. Supreme
Court Justice-Victim;
ALFONSE D'AMATO, U.S. Senator,
New York State-Victim;
JAMES GRIFFIN, Mayor,
Buffalo, New York-Victim;
MARIO CUOMO, Governor,
New York State-Victim;
EDWARD "NED" REGAN, Comptroller,
New York State-Victim;
DENNIS GORSKI, Assemblyman,
Cheektowaga, New York-Victim;
ROBERT ABRAMS, Attorney General,
New York State-Victim;
[REDACTED] Cheektowaga,
New York-Victim;
JESSE J. PRESENT, New York State Senator,
Jamestown, New York-Victim;
EXTORTION;
(OO: Buffalo)

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FBI Identification Division, Latent Fingerprint

Section:

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Upon completion of FBI Laboratory and Identification Division, Latent Fingerprint Section examinations. The evidence should be returned to Buffalo as office of origin regarding this matter.

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Title marked "**CHANGED**" to reflect the addition of the unknown subject alias [redacted] whose name and address appears on the envelope of the threatening letter sent to New York State Attorney General, ROBERT ABRAMS.

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Re Albany airtel to the Bureau, dated 3/12/85, and Buffalo teletype to the Bureau dated 3/14/85.

Enclosed for the FBI Laboratory and Identification Division, Latent Fingerprint Section, is the original letter and envelope sent to New York State Attorney General, ROBERT ABRAMS, threatening his life. One copy of the above is enclosed for Buffalo.

On 3/15/85, [redacted] Criminal Prosecutions Bureau, New York State Attorney General's Office, Albany, New York, made available all original of a letter and envelope mailed from Buffalo, New York, on 2/26/85, threatening the life of New York State Attorney General, ROBERT ABRAMS.

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Senior Investigator, [redacted] New York State Police, Criminal Prosecutions Bureau, advised that the letter has been in his possession since its receipt by him on March 1, 1985. Senior Investigator [redacted] further stated that although care has been taken to preserve the letter and envelope as evidence, it would have been handled by several persons before it came into his possession.

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Albany conducting no further investigation.

REQUEST OF THE BUREAU:

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 DEMOCRAT AND CHRONICLE
 ROCHESTER, NEW YORK

Date: MARCH 5, 1985
 Edition: METRO

Title: PUBLIC AFFAIRS MATTERS

Character: 9A-1685
 or
 Classification: 80-2206
 Submitting Office: BUFFALO

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TO DIRECTOR PRIORITY

(ATTN: PERSONNEL CRIMES UNIT AND LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION)

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UNSUBS, AKA , ET AL; HARRY A. BLACKMUN, U. S. SUPREME COURT JUSTICE, ET AL - VICTIM: EXTORTION; (OO: BUFFALO).

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RE BUFFALO TEL TO BUREAU, MARCH 18, 1985.

FOR THE INFO OF THE BUREAU, THE BUFFALO DIVISION HAS NARROWED THE SEARCH FOR POSSIBLE SUSPECTS TO AN APPROXIMATELY TWO SQUARE MILE AREA IN THE TOWNHOUSE APARTMENTS AT BUFFALO. THE BUFFALO DIVISION CONTINUES TO FEEL THE SUBJECT IN ALL PROBABILITY RESIDES IN THIS AREA AS PREVIOUSLY POINTED OUT. THE BUFFALO DIVISION AT PRESENT IS ATTEMPTING TO DEVELOP NEIGHBORHOOD SOURCES AND HAS DEVELOPED TWO SOURCES KNOWLEDGEABLE CONCERNING THE AREA. AS NEW POSSIBLE SUSPECTS ARE DEVELOPED, THEIR NAMES WILL BE

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SUBMITTED TO THE IDENTIFICATION DIVISION FOR BACKGROUND CHECKS
AND LATENT COMPARISON.

ADDITIONALLY, A FASCIMILE OF THE LETTERS HAVE BEEN SENT
TO SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY, SYRACUSE, NEW YORK,
FOR ANALYSIS. IT IS FURTHER NOTED THE LABORATORY DIVISION
HAS PROVIDED TIMELY AND PROFESSIONAL ASSISTANCE AND THE BUFFALO
DIVISION WISHES TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE DIVISION'S APPRECIATION.

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INVESTIGATION CONTINUING.

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TRANSMIT VIA:

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☐ Facsimile
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PRECEDENCE:

☐ Immediate
☒ Priority
☐ Routine

CLASSIFICATION:

☐ TOP SECRET
☐ SECRET
☐ CONFIDENTIAL
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Date 3/28/85.

FM BUFFALO (9A-1685) (P)

TO DIRECTOR PRIORITY

(ATTN: PERSONNEL CRIMES UNIT AND LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION)

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UNSUBS, AKA [REDACTED] ET AL; HARRY A. BLACKMUN, U. S. SUPREME
 COURT JUSTICE, ET AL - VICTIM: EXTORTION; (OO: BUFFALO).

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SUBMITTED TO THE IDENTIFICATION DIVISION FOR BACKGROUND CHECKS
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ADDITIONALLY, A FASCIMILE OF THE LETTERS HAVE BEEN SENT
TO [REDACTED] SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY, SYRACUSE, NEW YORK,
FOR ANALYSIS. IT IS FURTHER NOTED THE LABORATORY DIVISION
HAS PROVIDED TIMELY AND PROFESSIONAL ASSISTANCE AND THE BUFFALO
DIVISION WISHES TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE DIVISION'S APPRECIATION.

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REPORT
of theFEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: SAC, Albany (9A-1330)

April 18, 1985

FBI FILE NO.

LAB. NO.

50318015 D QS
50319074 D QS
50322098 D QS
50329001 D QS

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Re: UNSUBS: aka

HARRY A. BLACKMUN,
U.S. SUPREME COURT JUSTICE - VICTIM;
ET AL;
EXTORTION

OO: Buffalo

Examination requested by:

Albany and Buffalo

Reference:

Communications dated March 12, 1985, March 14, 1985,
March 19, 1985 and March 19, 1985
Document - Fingerprint

Examination requested:

Specimens received

March 18, 1985, from SAC, Albany, under cover
of communication dated March 12, 1985 (50318015 D QS):

Q7 Envelope postmarked "BUFFALO, NY 142 PM 26 FEB 1985"
bearing the typewritten address "Mario M. Cuomo
State Capital Albany, NY 12224"

Qc8 Photocopy of accompanying typewritten letter beginning
"Sir: I do not like..."

Specimens received March 19, 1985, from SAC, Buffalo, under
cover of communication dated March 14, 1985 (50319074 D QS):

Q9 Envelope bearing illegible postmark and the typewritten
address "Edward V. Regan State Office Building
Albany, NY. 12224"

Qc10 Photocopy of accompanying typewritten letter
beginning "Sir: I do not like..."

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Q11 Envelope bearing illegible postmark and typewritten address "Dennis T. Gorski" [redacted]

Qc12 Photocopy of accompanying typewritten letter beginning "Sir: I do not like..."

Q13 Envelope postmarked "BUFFALO, NY 142 PM 25 FEB 1985" bearing the typewritten address [redacted]

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Qc14 Photocopy of accompanying typewritten letter beginning "Sir: I do not like..."

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J. Present* Q15 Envelope postmarked "BUFFALO, NY 142 PM 26 FEB 1985" bearing the typewritten address "Mayor James Griffin City Hall Bflo, NY"

Qc16 Photocopy of accompanying typewritten letter beginning "Sir: I do not like..."

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J. Present* Q17 Envelope postmarked BUFFALO, NY 142 PM 26 FEB 1 5" bearing the typewritten address "Jesse J. Present" [redacted]

Qc18 Photocopy of accompanying typewritten letter beginning "Sir: I do not like..."

Specimens received March 22, 1985, from SAC, Buffalo, under cover of communication dated March 19, 1985 (50322098 D QS):

Q19 Envelope postmarked "BUFFALO, NY 142 PM 25 FEB 1985" bearing the typewritten address "Richard C. Wesley" [redacted]

Qc20 Photocopy of accompanying one-page typewritten letter beginning "Sir: I do not like..."

Specimens received March 29, 1985, from SAC, Albany, under cover of communication dated March 19, 1985 (50329001 D QS):

Q21 Envelope postmarked "BUFFALO. NY 142 1 PM 26 FEB 1985" bearing the typewritten address "Robert Abrams State Office Building Albany, NY 12224"

Qc22 Photocopy of accompanying typewritten letter beginning "Sir: I do not like..."

Result of examination:

It was determined the photocopied messages, designated Qc8, Qc10, Qc12, Qc14, Qc16, Qc18, Qc20 and Qc21 originated from the same source as previous questioned specimens, an example being Qc2.

The typewriting appearing on specimens Q7 through Qc14, Qc16 and Qc18 through Qc22 closely resembles the Laboratory standards for an IBM Prestige elite typewriter having a horizontal spacing of 12 letters per inch.

The typewriting appearing on specimen Q15 closely resembles the Laboratory standards for a Prestige IBM pica typewriter having a horizontal spacing of 10 letters per inch.

Q17 closely resembles the Laboratory standards for an IBM Scribe typewriter having a horizontal spacing of 10 letters per inch.

No watermark or indented writing of value was observed on specimens Q7 through Qc22.

The submitted evidence was photographed and is being returned separately with the results of the requested latent fingerprint examinations.

Memorandum



To : SAC (9A-1685) (P)

Date 5/21/85

From : TIS [redacted]

Subject : UNSUBS, aka
[redacted], et al;
HARRY A. BLACKMUN,
US SUPREME COURT JUSTICE - VICTIM;
ET AL
EXTORTION
OO: BUFFALO

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Since this case was initiated subsequent to the receipt of letters post marked Buffalo, writer has reviewed the file and had discussions with case agent [redacted] relative to preparation of visual analysis to be used in lead development. During this period of time, writer constructed a matrix analysis to draw out common bonds and associations that were identified through independent investigation and interview. This analysis will be submitted to the 1A section of this file.

During the preparation of this analysis, certain items of investigative interest were identified and are as follows:

- 1) All victims in this matter were public officials with the exception of [redacted]. It is noted that [redacted] name appears in the telephone directory on the same page as [redacted] the return addressee on the letter to JESSE PRESENT. b6 b7C
- 2) It has been determined that all of the names of the victims, with the exception of [redacted] were taken from a public resource document prepared and maintained by the Buffalo and Erie County Library. b6 b7C
- 3) All of the victims were racially white.
- 4) Five of the return addresses used were taken from the New York Telephone directory, 2 each from common pages.

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3a) Those return addresses not taken from the telephone directory come from two adjoining neighborhoods on Buffalo's east side. All of these individuals are racially Negro. The individuals in the northern area (refer to map in 1A section) are all old addresses and are not current. This suggests that a suspect may have resided in an area bounded by Northland, Wohlers, Glenwood and Masten several years ago.

3b) Return addresses in the southern area, located within the Towne Garden Apartments, appear to be current addresses, with the exception of [redacted] whose street number was incorrect. This suggests that a suspect now resides within this area. b6 b7C

4) Victim [redacted] and return addressee TRAMMEL may have been interchanged at the time the letters were prepared. It is noted that TRAMMEL is a local politician whose name appears within the library directory. However, it is noted that TRAMMEL is inconsistent with the other "victims" inasmuch as he is Negro.

The above is provided for information. The analysis will be updated in the future if necessary.

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Date 5/17/85

TO: SAC, BUFFALO (9A-1685)

FROM: SAC, WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE (9A-5245) (RUC) (C-4)

UNSUBS, aka

[redacted] Et Al;

HARRY A. BLACKMUN, SUPREME COURT JUSTICE, ET AL - VICTIMS;
EXTORTION;

OO: BUFFALO

Re WFO airtel to the Director, dated 4/1/85.

Inasmuch as all investigation in captioned matter has been completed at WFO and all pertinent information to date has been disseminated, this matter is being placed in an RUC'd status.

Buffalo is requested to keep WFO apprised of developments in captioned matter so that WFO can disseminate same to the UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT POLICE, UNITED STATES CAPITOL POLICE, and UNITED STATES SECRET SERVICE, Washington Field Office, Protective Intelligence.

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Washington, D. C. 20537

REPORT

of the

LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

YOUR FILE NO. 9A-1330
FBI FILE NO.
LATENT CASE NO. C-44533

May 24, 1985

TO: SAC, Albany

RE: UNSUBS., AKA [REDACTED]
ET AL.;
HARRY A. BLACKMUN
U. S. SUPREME COURT JUSTICE
ET AL. - VICTIMS
EXTORTION

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REFERENCE: Airtel 3/12/85
EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: Albany
SPECIMENS: Envelope and copy of a letter, Q7 and Qc8

The specimens are further described in a separate Laboratory report.

One latent fingerprint and two latent palm prints of value were developed on the specimens.

The latent prints developed on Q7 and Qc8 were compared, insofar as possible, with the previously reported latent prints, but no identification was effected.

The specimens are being forwarded to the Buffalo Division as requested.

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REPORT

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LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

YOUR FILE NO. 89A-167
FBI FILE NO.
LATENT CASE NO. C-44533

June 7, 1985

TO: SAC, Albany

RE:

INSUBS - AKA

HARRY A. BLACKMUN, U.S. SUPREME
COURT JUSTICE - VICTIM
EXTORTION

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REFERENCE: Airtel 3/19/85
EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: Albany
SPECIMENS: Envelope, Q21
Copy of letter, Qc22

The specimens are further described in a separate Laboratory report.

Nine latent fingerprints and three latent palm prints of value were developed on the specimens.

Three latent fingerprints and two latent palm prints developed on Qc22 have been identified with latent prints previously developed on Qc2, a copy of a letter submitted with WFO airtel of 3/4/85; Qc8, a copy of a letter submitted with Albany airtel of 3/12/85; Qc10 and Qc18, copies of a letter submitted with Buffalo airtel of 3/14/85; and Q19, an envelope submitted with Buffalo airtel of 3/19/85.

The remaining latent prints currently developed and the previously developed latent prints were compared, insofar as possible, but no identification was effected.

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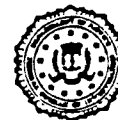
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Memorandum



To : SAC (9-1685) (P)

Date: 8/5/85

From : SA [redacted]

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Subject : UNSUBS. aka

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Et Al.
HARRY A. BLACKMUN,
Supreme Court Justice - VICTIM;
ET AL.;
EXTORTION
(OO: BUFFALO)

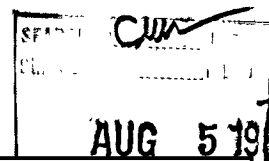
In view of Case Agent's transfer, it is requested
this matter be reassigned.

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- Q13 Envelope postmarked "BUFFALO, NY 142 PM 25 FEB 1985" bearing the typewritten address [redacted]
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- Qc14 Photocopy of accompanying typewritten letter beginning "Sir: I do not like..."
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